

MICHIGAN HOMES FOR VETERANS
Board of Managers Minutes
April 16, 2015

The 1411th meeting of the Board of Managers of the Michigan Home for Veterans was called to order at 1:00 pm on Thursday, April 16, 2015 at the D.J. Jacobetti Home for Veterans by Manager Johnson, Chair.

PRESENT: Managers:

Robert L. Johnson, Chair	(The American Legion)
Ernest E. Meyers, Sr., Member	(VFW)
James Ausdemore, Member	(Independent)
Marita Okerstrom	(Independent)
Lino B. Pretto -by teleconference	(Independent)

GUESTS: Carl Morrison, American Legion Post 44 Marquette; Ray Carlson, American Legion Post 44 Marquette; Bob Wellman, VFC Representative for the Michigan Elks; DJJHV Staff Member: Ken Arseneau, Ann Barsch, Sean Depuydt, Julie Nance, Karla Bressette, Mike Harrington, Tina Lynch, Martha Fitzgerald, Dr. Larry Skendzel.

Also present at the meeting: Brad Slagle, Administrator of the D.J. Jacobetti Home for Veterans, Sara Dunne, Administrator of the Grand Rapids Home for Veterans, Jim Dunn, Deputy Director, MVAA, Jason Allen, MVAA, and Linda Smith, Assistant Clerk of the Board.

The invocation was given by Ardy Johnson.

OPENING CEREMONY: Pledge of Allegiance.

This meeting has been posted pursuant to Act 267 of the Public Act of 1976 – The Open Meeting Act – on the bulletin Board in the corridor adjacent to the volunteer office, main building, Grand Rapids Home for Veterans. A notice of this meeting was also posted in the hallway adjacent to the lobby of the D.J. Jacobetti Home for Veterans in Marquette.

I. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Bob Wellman – Michigan Elks Association

Donation of sign in the Chapel Entrance
Invitation to Re-Creation in June – high energy song-and-dance routine, sponsored by the Elks held at Jacobetti chapel.

II. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

Motion was made by Manager Okerstrom, supported by Manager Ausdemore to approve the minutes of the meeting held by the Board of Managers on March 19, 2015. Motion carried.

III. ASSESSMENT, REASSESSMENTS AND ADMISSIONS AND POPULATION REPORT– MARQUETTE

Motion was made by Manager Meyers to accept the Assessments, Reassessments and Admission and Population Report as presented, supported by Manager Okerstrom, motion carried.

IV. FINANCIAL ISSUES – MARQUETTE

A. Board Funds

Motion was made by Manager Ausdemore to accept the In-House Funds and Cash Donations report as presented, supported by Manager Okerstrom, motion carried.

B. State Funds

Motion was made by Manager Ausdemore to accept the Revenue and Expenditures report as presented, supported by Manager Okerstrom, motion carried.

V. COMMANDANT'S REPORT – MARQUETTE

Motion was made by Manager Meyers to accept the Administrator's Report as written subject to comments, supported by Manager Ausdemore, motion carried.

New member/admission and policy consideration discussion.

Klaus family member addresses board regarding consideration of admission for her father.

Motion to have a three month review (90 days from today) on Mr. Klaus and accept recommendation of administrator by Manager Meyers, supported by Okerstrom with member agreeing to stop service with Charter Communications and also looking into vehicle insurance and contacting credit card companies regarding lowering payments and rates. Sean and Brad will report to board at the July board meeting. Motion carried.

VI. DIVISION REPORTS

Motion was made by Manager Meyers to accept the Division Reports as presented, supported by Manager Ausdemore, motion carried.

Staff Reported.

VII. ASSESSMENTS, REASSESSMENTS AND ADMISSIONS – GRAND RAPIDS

Assessment & Population Report – Applications for Membership were reviewed. Motion was made by Manager Ausdemore, to accept the Assessment and Population Report as presented, supported by Manager Okerstrom, motion carried.

Reported by Sara Dunne.

VIII. FINANCIAL ISSUES – GRAND RAPIDS

- A. Board Funds – Status Report of the In-House Funds, Statement of changes in Fund Balances and Cash Donations were reviewed. Motion was made by Manager Pretto, supported by Manager Okerstrom, to receive and file the reports as presented, motion carried.
- B. State Funds – The Revenue and Expenditure Report was reviewed. Motion was made by Manager Pretto, supported by Manager Okerstrom, to receive and file the Revenue & Expenditure Report as presented, motion carried.

Remain in a deficit due to decreased population. Looking into how to proceed with population.

IX. ADMINISTRATOR/DIVISION REPORT – GRAND RAPIDS

Motion was made by Manager Ausdemore, to approve the Commandant Report as presented, supported by Manager Meyers, motion carried.

Administrator Sara Dunne reported.

VA survey disappointing.

X. DIVISION REPORTS

Administrator Sara Dunne reported.

- Developing falls initiative with the federal VA guidelines.

- NTT Data Long Term Care Solutions was selected for both Homes. EMR training will begin in May. The financial section will be implemented first.
- The State vendor for scanning will begin scanning the medical records soon.
- Presentation by Dr. Martini on Agent Orange.
- Social work dept. received an award from Great Lakes Caring for working with hospice patients.
- Staff is doing a great job on working with veterans who have Opiate dependencies.
- "No Member Dies Alone" Program very successful.
- Commanders meeting May 20th at the Veterans Home. Request group to notify Administrator of meeting.

Motion was made by Manager Ausdemore, supported by Manager Meyers to approve the Division Report as presented, motion carried.

XI. DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS UPDATE

Motion was made by Manager Ausdemore to accept the Department of Veterans Affairs Update as reported, supported by Manager Okerstrom, motion carried.

Reported by Jason Allen.

May 2nd – Traverse City – selling Girl Scout cookies to send to the troops.

Jim Dunn reported.

Need to decide/review policies on admission.

XII. ASSISTANT ATTORNEY GENERAL'S UPDATE

Jim Dunn reported.

XIII. OLD BUSINESS

Marquette

None

Grand Rapids

Circle drive needs to be dealt with at the Home due to deterioration.

Previous member with questionable history would like to be able to come back to visit friends at the Home. Need board recommendation.

Motion to continue restricted visitation for this member at the Home made by Manager Okerstrom, supported by Manager Meyers. A letter by the Board will be sent to him.

XIV. NEW BUSINESS

GRAND RAPIDS –

None

MARQUETTE –

Volunteer banquet.

XV. OPEN DISCUSSION

July meeting will be held on Wednesday the 22nd at 9:00 a.m.

Manager Okerstrom will notify board members with the details for the May meeting with a starting time of 8:30 a.m. Would like financial information submitted for review before meeting.

XVI. CLOSING PRAYER AND ADJOURNMENT

Closing prayer was given by Manager Ausdemore.

Meeting adjourned at 4:30 p.m.

DATES OF MEETINGS

1. Thursday, May 14, 2015 @ 1:00 p.m. at the American Legion Post # 35 in Traverse City.
2. Wednesday, June 17, 2015 @ 9:00 a.m. at the Grand Rapid Home for Veterans.
3. Wednesday, July 22, 2015 @ 9:00 a.m. at the D.J. Jacobetti Home for Veterans, Marquette, MI.

4. No Meeting in August 2015.

5. Wednesday, September 16, 2015 @ 9:00 a.m. at the Grand Rapids Home for Veterans.

6. Wednesday, October 14, 2015 @ 9:00 a.m. at the Grand Rapids Home for Veterans.

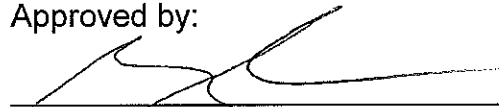
7. Wednesday, November 18, 2015 @ 9:00 a.m. at the Grand Rapids Home for Veterans.

8. Wednesday, December 16, 2015 @ 9:00 a.m. at the Grand Rapids Home for Veterans.

THESE MEETINGS HAVE BEEN POSTED PURSUANT TO ACT 267 OF THE PUBLIC ACT AS OF 1976 – THE OPEN MEETING ACT.

Linda K. Smith, Assistant Clerk of the Board

Approved by:



Marita Okerstrom, Secretary Board of Managers

5/14/15

Date